

Remarks

The Examiner in the final Office Action has (1) allowed claims 24-37, (2) rejected claims 1, 11-14, 19 and 21, and (3) objected to claims 2-10, 15-18 and 23 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but as being allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

In response to the office action and to put the case in condition for allowance, the rejected claims have been cancelled. Objected to claims 2-4, 7-10 and 15-16 have been cancelled and rewritten as independent claims 38-46, including all the elements of their base claims. Objected claims 5-6 and 17-18 have been amended to correct their dependencies to the new independent claims. The Examiner also objected to claim 23 as being dependant from a rejected base claim. However, this objection seems to be in error since claim 23 was amended in the prior response to correct its dependency to allowed claim 33.

Conclusion

In view of the above amendments, it is respectfully submitted that the case be reconsidered and allowed. If the Examiner has any questions or concerns regarding the application, he is invited to telephone the undersigned so that the matter can be properly handled and the case passed onto issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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